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(54) **METHOD OF MEASURING DISSOLVED METHANE IN SEAWATER**

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(57) **ABSTRACT**

Provided is a method of measuring dissolved methane in seawater, including: a) injecting a sample into a vacuum container containing a cadmium chloride solution injected thereto and refrigerating the vacuum container; b) shaking the vacuum container, and achieving temperature equilibrium with an ambient temperature; c) separating the dissolved methane from residue by passing the sample in the vacuum container through a methane separator; and d) analyzing the separated dissolved methane by a mass spectrometer. According to the method of measuring dissolved methane in seawater of the present invention, a recovery rate of dissolved methane may be maximally increased to improve an analysis rate accordingly, and an analysis of dissolved methane may be conducted even with a small amount of sample, and in addition to the measurement of the dissolved methane, a sulfur isotope analysis may be simultaneously conducted by using a sample from which the dissolved methane is extracted.

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